

## **APPENDIX B**

### **LITTLE CALUMET-GALIEN WATERS ASSESSED IN THE CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 305(B) REPORT**

Statewide data from the state's Clean Water Act Section 305(B) Report are available at the link below ( IDEM's Office of Water Quality website) (<http://www.state.in.us/idem/water/planbr/wqs/quality.html>). Adobe Acrobat Reader(tm) is required to read these files.

- **Attachment A** - 1998 305 (B) Report (Upper White, Lower White, Patoka)
- **Attachment B** - 1999 & 2000 305 (B) Report (Eel-Wabash, Lower East Fork White, Middle Wabash-Deer, Muscatatuck, Salamonie, Upper East Fork White, Upper Wabash, Whitewater)
- **Attachment C** - 2001 305 (B) Report (Lower Wabash, Middle Wabash-Busseron, Middle Wabash-Little Vermilion, Sugar)
- **Attachment D** - 2002 305 (B) Report (Blue-Sinking, Little Calumet-Galien, Lower Ohio-Little Pigeon, Silver-Little Kentucky, St. Joseph-Maumee)

## **APPENDIX C**

### **Potential Stakeholders**

#### **in the Little Calumet-Galien Watershed**

Dunes Calumet Audubon Society  
P.O. Box 1232  
Crown Point, IN 46308-1232

Friends of Indiana Dunes  
P.O. Box 166  
Beverly Shores, IN 46301  
219-926-7561

Grand Calumet Task Force  
2400 New York Ave.  
Whiting, Indiana 46394  
219-473-4246

Hoosier Environmental Council  
PO Box 1145  
Indianapolis, IN 46206  
317-685-8800

Hoosier River Watch  
5785 Glenn Rd.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46216-1066  
317-541-0617

Indiana Lakes Management Society  
207 S. Wayne St., Suite B  
Angola, IN 46703

Indiana Waterways Association  
301 Fort Harrison Road  
Terre Haute, IN 47804  
812-460-1567

Izaak Walton League of America  
Indiana Division President  
2173 Pennsylvania Street  
Portage, IN 46368-2448  
219-762-4876

Kankakee Fish and Wildlife Area  
4320 W. Toto Road  
North Judson, IN 46366  
219-896-3673

Know Your Watershed  
Conservation Technology Information Ctr  
1220 Potter Drive, Room 170  
West Lafayette, IN 47906-1383  
765-494-9555

Lake Michigan Coastal Program  
IDNR  
402 W. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
317-232-4200

Little Calumet River Project  
3001 Leonard Dr.  
Suite 104  
Valparaiso, Indiana 46383  
219-462-7515

NIRPC  
6100 Southport Rd.  
Portage, Indiana 46368  
219-763-6060

National Audubon Society  
700 Broadway  
New York, NY 10003  
212-979-3000

Northwest Territory RC&D  
3001 Leonard Drive  
Valparaiso, IN 46383-4386  
574-462-7515

Save the Dunes  
444 Barker Rd.  
Michigan City, IN 46360  
219-879-3564

Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund  
444 Barker Rd.  
Michigan City, IN 46360-7426  
219-879-4725

The Nature Conservancy  
1505 N. Delaware St., Suite 200  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46202  
317-951-8818

Turkey Creek - Deep River Watershed Management Plan  
414 Main St.  
Hobart, Indiana 46542  
317-254-8235

City of LaPorte Mayor (LaPorte County)  
801 Michigan Ave.  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-362-3175

LaPorte County Commissioner (LaPorte County)  
County Courthouse  
813 Lincolnway, Suite 301  
LaPorte, Indiana 46350  
219-326-6808

LaPorte County Drainage Board (LaPorte County)  
County Courthouse  
813 Lincolnway, Suite 101  
LaPorte, Indiana 46350  
219-326-6808

LaPorte County Farm Service Agency (LaPorte County)  
100 Legacy Plaza W.  
LaPorte, Indiana 46350  
219-324-6303

LaPorte County Government Offices (LaPorte County)  
County Courthouse  
813 Lincolnway  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-326-6808

LaPorte County Parks & Rec (LaPorte County)  
County Complex, 3rd Floor  
809 State Street  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-326-6808

LaPorte County Purdue Univ. Co-op Extension Service (LaPorte County)  
809 State St., Suite 502A  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-326-6808

LaPorte County SWCD (LaPorte County)  
100 Legacy Plaza W.  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-324-6303

LaPorte County Surveyor (LaPorte County)  
County Courthouse  
813 Lincolnway, Suite 101  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-326-6808

LaPorte County USDA-NRCS (LaPorte County)  
100 Legacy Plaza W.  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-324-6303

LaPorte Water Works (LaPorte County)  
1119 Lake Street  
LaPorte, IN 46350  
219-362-9540

Laporte County Conservation Trust Inc. (LaPorte County)  
405 Maple Ave.  
La Porte, IN 46350-3609  
219-778-2810

Laporte County Health Department (LaPorte County)  
809 State St.  
Laporte, IN 46350  
219-326-6808

Michigan City Dept. of Water Works (LaPorte County)  
111 Lake Shore Drive  
Michigan City, IN 46360  
219-872-4430

City of Crown Point Mayor (Lake County)  
101 Northeast Street  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
219-662-3240

City of Hobart Mayor (Lake County)  
414 Main Street  
Hobart, IN 46342  
219-942-6112

Crown Point Water Works (Lake County)  
1313 E. North St.  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
219-662-3251

East Chicago Health Department (Lake County)  
100 W. Chicago Ave.  
East Chicago, IN 46312  
219-391-8467

Gary City Health Department (Lake County)  
1145 W. 5th Ave.  
Gary, IN 46402  
219-882-5565

Gary City Mayor (Lake County)  
401 Broadway  
Gary, Indiana 46402  
219-881-1301

Hammond City Health Department (Lake County)  
649 Conkey St.  
Hammond, IN 46324  
219-853-6358

Indiana-American Water Company-Northwest (Lake County)  
650 Madison St.  
Gary, IN 46401  
219-880-2362

Lake County Commissioner (Lake County)  
3rd Floor, Building A  
2293 N. Main St.  
Crown Point , IN 46307  
219-755-3200

Lake County Drainage Board (Lake County)  
County Government Center  
2293 N. Main St.  
Crown Point , IN 46307  
219-755-3745

Lake County Farm Service Agency (Lake County)  
928 S. Court St.  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
219-663-0588

Lake County Government Office (Lake County)  
County Government Center  
2293 N. Main St.  
Crown Point , IN 46307  
219-755-3100

Lake County Health Department (Lake County)  
2293 N. Main St.  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
219-755-3655

Lake County Purdue Univ. Co-op Extension Service (Lake County)  
2293 N. Main St.  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
219-755-3240

Lake County SWCD (Lake County)  
928 S. Court St.  
Suite C  
Crown Point , IN 46307  
219-663-0588

Lake County Surveyor (Lake County)  
County Government Center  
2293 N. Main St.  
Crown Point , IN 46307  
219-755-3745

Lake County USDA-NRCS (Lake County)  
928 S. Court St.  
Suite C  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
219-663-0588

Lincoln Utilities (Lake County)  
5180 E 81st Ave.  
Merrillville, IN 46410  
219-942-2131

Chesterton Utilities (Porter County)  
220 Broadway  
Chesterton, IN 46304  
219-926-1572

City of Valparaiso Mayors Office (Porter County)  
166 Lincolnway  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-462-1161

Lac Utilities (Porter County)  
1805 Burlington Beach Rd.  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-464-3770

Porter County Commissioner (Porter County)  
155 Indiana  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-465-3440

Porter County Drainage Board (Porter County)  
155 Indiana  
Suite 303  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-465-3489

Porter County Farm Service Agency (Porter County)  
3001 Leonard Dr.  
Valparaiso, IN 46383-2733  
219-462-7515

Porter County Government Offices (Porter County)  
155 Indiana  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-465-3460

Porter County Health Department (Porter County)  
155 Indiana Ave. Rm 104  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-465-3525

Porter County Purdue Univ. Co-op Extension Service (Porter County)  
155 Indiana Ave., Suite 301  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-465-3555

Porter County SWCD (Porter County)  
3001 Leonard Dr.  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-462-7515

Porter County Surveyor (Porter County)  
155 Indiana  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-465-3560

Porter County USDA-NRCS (Porter County)  
3001 Leonard Dr.  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-462-7515

Shorewood Forest Utilities (Porter County)  
229 Shorewood Drive  
Valparaiso, IN 46385  
219-531-0706

Valparaiso Dept. of Water Works (Porter County)  
205 Billings St.  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-462-8412

Waste Managment of Northwest Indiana (Porter County)  
1035 N. State Road 149  
Valparaiso, IN 46383  
219-763-2502

St. Joseph County Farm Service Agency (St. Joseph County)  
St. Joseph Co. Farm Bureau  
5605 US 31 S.  
South Bend, IN 46614  
219-291-7444

St. Joseph County Health Department (St. Joseph County)  
227 W. Jefferson Blvd.  
Rm 825  
South Bend, IN 46601  
219-235-9750

St. Joseph County Purdue Univ. Co-op Extension Service (St. Joseph County)  
227 W. Jefferson Blvd.  
South Bend, IN 46601  
219-235-9604



St. Joseph USDA-NRCS (St. Joseph County)  
St. Joseph Co. Farm Bureau  
5605 US 31 S.  
South Bend, IN 46614  
219-291-7444

**STATE STAKEHOLDERS**

Indiana Farm Bureau Inc.

225 S East St

Indianapolis, IN 46202

(317) 692-7851

Indiana Department of Environmental Management

100 N. Senate Ave

P.O. Box 6015

Indianapolis, IN 46206-6015

IDEM Switchboard

(317) 232 8603 or (800) 451 6027

Agricultural Liaison

(317) 232 8587

Air Quality

(317) 233 0178

Community Relations

(317) 233 6648

Compliance and Technical Assistance

(317) 232 8172

Criminal Investigations

(317) 232 8128

Enforcement

(317) 233 5529

Environmental Response

(317) 308 3017

Legal Counsel

(317) 232 8493

Media and Communication Services

(317) 232 8560

Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance

(317) 232 8172

Solid and Hazardous Waste Management

(317) 233 3656

Water Management

(317) 232 8670

Indiana Department of Natural Resources  
402 West Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204 2748  
Division of Engineering  
(317) 232 4150  
Division of Entomology and Plant Pathology  
(317) 232 4120  
Division of Fish & Wildlife  
(317) 232 4080  
Division of Forestry  
(317) 232 4105  
Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology  
(317) 232 1646  
Division of Law Enforcement  
(317) 232 4010  
Division of State Parks and Reservoirs  
(317) 232 4124  
Division of Water  
(317) 232 4160  
Division of Public Information and Education  
(317) 232 4200  
Division of Reclamation  
(317) 232 1547  
Division of Safety and Training  
(317) 232 4145  
Division of Soil Conservation  
(317) 233 3870  
Division of Oil and Gas  
(317) 232 4055  
Division of Outdoor Recreation  
(317) 232 4070  
Division of Nature Preserves  
(317) 232 4052  
Indiana State Department of Health  
2 North Meridian St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
(317) 233 1325

**FEDERAL STAKEHOLDERS**

Natural Resources Conservation Service  
6013 Lakeside Blvd  
Indianapolis, In 46278  
(317) 290 3200

*NRCS Field Representatives are generally located with the SWCD office in each county.*

U.S. EPA Region 5  
77 West Jackson Blvd  
Chicago, IL 60604  
(312) 353-2000  
(800) 632-8431

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

*Chicago District*

111 N. Canal  
Chicago, IL 60606  
(312) 353-6400

*Detroit District*

P.O. Box 1027  
Detroit, MI 48231-1027  
(888) 694-8313

*Louisville District*

600 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Louisville, KY 40202  
(502) 315-6768

## APPENDIX D

### FUNDING SOURCES

This listing of funding sources was derived from the May 1999 *Watershed Action Guide for Indiana*, which is available from the Watershed Management Section of IDEM (IDEM 1999b).

#### FEDERAL CONSERVATION AND WATERSHED PROGRAMS

Environmental Protection Agency

Section 319, 205(j), and 104(b)(3) Grants

Grants for conservation practices, water body assessment, watershed planning, and watershed projects.

Available to non-profit or governmental entities. These monies, enabled by the Clean Water Act, are funneled through the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. *For details see IDEM below.*

EPA Great Lakes Program

Numerous sources of funding are available for the area that drains into the Great Lakes. The complete grants guidance and application package for EPA Great Lakes grants is on the web, and additional funding sources are at the Great Lakes Information Network (<http://www.great-lakes.net/>). Grants are submitted in early spring for most of these sources.

U.S. Department of Agriculture/Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) (See Appendix C for local federal agency contacts.)

CRP: Conservation Reserve Program.

Administered by the Farm Service Agency with technical assistance from NRCS. Conservation easements in certain critical areas on private property. CRP encourages farmers to convert highly erodible cropland or other environmentally sensitive acreage to vegetative cover, such as tame or native grasses, wildlife plantings, trees, filterstrips, or riparian buffers. Easements are for 10 or 15 years, depending on vegetative cover, and compensation payments are made yearly to replace income lost through not farming the land.

Cost share is available for planting vegetative cover on restored areas.

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/cepd/crp.htm>

EQIP: Environmental Quality Incentive Program.

Administered by the NRCS. Provides technical, financial, and educational assistance. Conservation cost-share program for implementing Best Management Practices, available to agricultural producers who agree to implement a whole-farm plan that addresses major resource concerns. Up to \$50,000 over a 5- to 10-year period. Some parts of the state are designated Conservation Priority Areas and receive larger funding allotments.

<http://www.nhq.nrcs.usda.gov/PROGRAMS/COD/cit/eqipsmry.htm>

FIP: Forestry Incentive Program.

Administered by the NRCS. Assists forest management on private lands of at least 10 acres and no more than 1,000 acres. Eligible practices are tree planting, timber stand improvement, site preparation for natural regeneration, and other related activities. Land must be suitable for conversion from nonforest to forest land, for reforestation, or for improved forest management and be capable of producing marketable timber crops. Cost share up to 65%, with a maximum of \$10,000 per person per year.

<http://www.nhq.nrcs.usda.gov/CCS/FB96OPA/FIPfact.html>

Small Watershed Program.

The Small Watershed Program works through local government sponsors and helps participants solve natural resource and related economic problems on a watershed basis. Projects include watershed protection, flood prevention, erosion and sediment control, water supply, water quality, fish and wildlife habitat enhancement, wetlands creation and restoration, and public recreation in watersheds of 250,000 or fewer acres. Both technical and financial assistance are available.

<http://www.ftw.nrcs.usda.gov/pl566/pl566.html>

WRP: Wetland Reserve Program.

Administered by the NRCS. Easement and restoration program to restore marginal agricultural land to wetland. Easements may be for 10 years, 30 years, or permanent. Longer easements are preferred.

Partnerships with other acquisition programs are encouraged. Restoration and legal costs are paid by NRCS. Landowner retains ownership of the property and may use the land in ways that do not interfere with wetland function and habitat, such as hunting, recreational development, and timber harvesting.

<http://www.nhq.nrcs.usda.gov/PROGRAMS/wrp/>

WHIP: Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program.

Administered by the NRCS. Cost share and technical assistance to develop and improve wildlife habitat on private land. Private landowners who are agricultural producers are eligible. A wildlife habitat plan is developed that describes landowner's goals for improving wildlife habitat, includes a list of practices and schedule for installing them, and details the steps necessary for maintenance. Cost share up to 75%, and contracts are for 10 years. <http://www.nhq.nrcs.usda.gov/PROGRAMS/whip/>

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Partners for Wildlife Habitat Restoration Program

Provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners through voluntary cooperative agreements in order to restore formerly degraded wetlands, native grasslands, riparian areas, and other habitats to conditions as natural as feasible. Landowners agree to maintain restoration projects as specified in the agreement but otherwise retain full control of the land. Agreements are for fixed term of at least 10 years. No more than 60% of project cost is paid by Federal moneys (the program seeks remainder of cost share from landowners and nationally-based and local entities). <http://www.fws.gov/>

STATE CONSERVATION AND WATERSHED PROGRAMS

IDNR Division of Soil Conservation

LARE: Lake & River Enhancement Program

Funds diagnostic and feasibility studies in selected watersheds and cost-share programs through local Soil & Water Conservation Districts. Project oversight provided through county-based Resource Specialists and Lake & River Enhancement Watershed Coordinators. Funding requests for Watershed Land Treatment projects must come from Soil & Water Conservation Districts. If a proposed project area includes more than one district, the affected SWCDs should work together to develop an implementation plan. The SWCDs should then apply for the funding necessary to administer the watershed project. Before applying for funding, the SWCDs should contact the Lake & River Enhancement Coordinators to determine (1) the appropriate watershed to include in the project, (2) if the proposed project meets the eligibility criteria, and (3) if funding is available. <http://www.in.gov/dnr/soilcons/lare.htm>

IDNR Division of Fish & Wildlife

Classified Wildlife Habitat Program

Incentive program to foster private wildlife habitat management through tax reduction and technical assistance. Landowners need 15 or more acres of habitat to be eligible. IDNR provides management plans and assistance through District Wildlife Biologists (see county listings).

<http://www.ai.org/dnr/fishwild/about/habitat.htm>

IDNR Division of Forestry

Classified Forest Program

Incentive program to foster private forest management through tax reduction and technical assistance. Landowners need 10 or more acres of woods to be eligible. IDNR provides management plans and assistance through District Foresters (see county listings).

<http://www.state.in.us/dnr/forestry/landassist/clasfor.htm>

Classified Windbreak Act

Establishment of windbreaks at least 450 feet long adjacent to tillable land. Provides tax incentive, technical assistance through IDNR District Foresters.

Forest Stewardship Program & Stewardship Incentives Program

Cost share and technical assistance to encourage responsibly managed and productive private forests.

<http://www.state.in.us/dnr/forestry/htmldocs/grants.htm>

IDNR Division of Reclamation

Appalachian Clean Streams Initiative

Funds for acid mine drainage abatement.

IDNR Division of Nature Preserves

State Nature Preserve Dedication

Acquisition and management of threatened habitat. <http://www.in.gov/dnr/naturepr/>

IDEM Office of Water Quality

State Revolving Fund

Available to municipalities and counties for a range of water quality infrastructure projects. Funds are available for a wide variety of projects including all types of nonpoint source management projects, as well as more traditional wastewater treatment projects. Funding is through very low-interest loans.

<http://www.in.gov/idem/water/fasb/srflp.html>

Section 319 Grants - Nonpoint Source Program

Available to nonprofit groups, municipalities, counties, and universities for implementing water quality improvement projects that address nonpoint source pollution concerns. Twenty-five percent match is required, which may be cash or in-kind. Maximum grant amount for local watershed projects is \$112,500, but statewide or larger scale projects may be funded up to \$300,000. Projects are usually two to three years in length. Projects may be for land treatment through implementing Best Management Practices, for education, and for developing tools and applications for state-wide use. Proposals are due October 1, 2002 for FY2003 funds. See Section 5.1.5 for more details. <http://www.in.gov/idem/water/planbr/wsm/index.html>

#### Section 205(j) Grants - Water Quality Management Planning Program

Available to municipalities, counties, conservation districts, drainage districts, and other public organizations. For-profit entities, non-profit organizations, private associations, and individuals are not eligible for funding through Section 205(j). Grants are for water quality management projects such as studies of nonpoint pollution impacts, nonagricultural NPS mapping, and the development and implementation of watershed management projects. Funds can be requested for up to \$100,000 and no match is required. <http://www.in.gov/idem/water/planbr/wsm/index.html>

#### Section 104(b)(3) Grants - NPDES Related State Grant Program

Provide for developing, implementing and demonstrating new concepts or requirements that will improve the effectiveness of the NPDES permit program. A project proposed for assistance by this program should deal predominantly with water pollution sources and activities regulated by the NPDES program. These may include innovative demonstration projects to promote statewide watershed approaches for permitted discharges, development of storm water management plans by small municipalities, projects involving a watershed approach to municipal separate sewer systems, and projects that directly promote community based environmental protection. Available to State water pollution control agencies, interstate agencies, Tribes, colleges and universities, and other public or nonprofit organizations. For-profit entities, private associations and individuals are not eligible to receive this assistance. Funds can be requested for up to \$100,000. Five percent match is required, either cash or in-kind.

<http://www.in.gov/idem/water/planbr/wsm/index.html>

NOTE: proposals are due to IDEM by January 31 annually for projects beginning the following December.

#### PRIVATE FUNDING SOURCES

##### National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

1120 Connecticut Avenue, NW Suite 900, Washington DC 20036.

([http://www.nfwf.org/programs/grant\\_apply.htm](http://www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm))

Nonprofit, established by Congress 1984, awards challenge grants for natural resource conservation. Federally appropriated funds are used to match private sector funds. Six program areas include wetland conservation, conservation education, fisheries, migratory bird conservation, conservation policy, and wildlife habitat.

##### Individual Utilities

Check local utilities such as IPALCO, CINergy, REMC, NIPSCO. Many have grants for educational and environmental purposes (IPALCO Golden Eagle Program -

[http://www.ipalco.com/ABOUTIPALCO/Environment/Golden\\_Eagle/2001\\_Winners.html](http://www.ipalco.com/ABOUTIPALCO/Environment/Golden_Eagle/2001_Winners.html); CINergy -

<http://www.cinergy.com/Environment/default.asp>).

##### Indiana Hardwood Lumbermen's Association

Indiana Tree Farm Program. <http://www.ihla.org/leaders.htm>

##### Conservation Technology Information Center (CTIC)

'Know Your Watershed' educational materials are available. <http://www.ctic.purdue.edu/CTIC/CTIC.html>

##### Ducks Unlimited

*Land acquisition and habitat restoration assistance.* <http://www.ducks.org/>

##### National Wild Turkey Federation

*Funds for turkey and wildlife habitat improvement projects.* <http://www.nwtf.org/>

##### Quail Unlimited

*Funds for quail and wildlife habitat improvement projects.* <http://www.qu.org/>

##### Pheasants Forever

*Land acquisition and funds for local habitat improvement projects.* <http://www.pheasantsforever.org/>

##### Indiana Heritage Trust

*Land acquisition programs.* <http://www.state.in.us/dnr/heritage/>

##### The Nature Conservancy

*Land acquisition and restoration.* <http://nature.org/wherewework/northamerica/states/indiana/>

Southern Lake Michigan Conservation Initiative

Blue River Focus Area

Kankakee Sands Focus Area

Upper St. Joseph River Focus Area

Tippecanoe River Focus Area

Natural Areas Registry

Hoosier Landscapes Capitol Campaign

Local/Regional Land Trusts

*Land acquisition, conservation easements, and restoration*

Acres Inc. (Fort Wayne, IN)

- <http://www.acres-land-trust.org/>

Buffalo Trace Land Trust, LLC (Mount Saint Francis, IN)

Central Indiana Land Trust, Inc. (Indianapolis, IN)

- <http://www.cilti.org/>

Clark's Valley Land Trust (Charlestown, IN)

- <http://www.clarkswcd.org/LandTrust/LandTrusthome.htm>

Indiana Karst Conservancy (Indianapolis, IN)

- <http://www.caves.org/conservancy/ikc/>

Laporte County Conservation Trust Inc. (La Porte, IN)

Little River Wetlands Project (Ft. Wayne, IN)

- <http://www.lrwp.org/>

Mud Creek Conservancy (Indianapolis, IN)

- <http://www.mudcreekconservancy.org/>

NICHES Land Trust (Lafayette, IN)

- <http://dewi.com/~niches/>

Ohio River Conservancy (Bloomington, IN)

Oxbow, Inc. (Cincinnati, OH)

- <http://math.uc.edu/~pelikan/OXBOW/wm.html>

Red-tail Conservancy, Inc. (Muncie, IN)

- <http://ourworld.cs.com/rtconserv1/id18.htm>

River Fields, Inc. (Louisville, KY)

- <http://www.riverfields.org/>

Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund (Michigan City, IN)

- <http://www.heinze-fund.org/>

Sycamore Land Trust (Bloomington, IN)

- <http://www.sycamorelandtrust.org/>

Wabash Heritage Land Trust (New Harmony, IN)

Wawasee Area Conservancy Foundation (Syracuse, IN)

- <http://www.wacf.com/>

Whitewater Valley Land Trust, Inc. (Centerville, IN)

Wood-Land-Lakes Resource Conservation & Development (Kendallville, IN)

- [http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/conservation%20programs/rcd/woodland\\_lakes.htm](http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/conservation%20programs/rcd/woodland_lakes.htm)

#### SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Catalog of Federal Funding Sources for Watershed Protection

EPA Office of Water (EPA841-B-99-003) December 1999

(<http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/wacademy/fund.html>)

GrantsWeb:

<http://www.srainternational.org/cws/sra/resource.htm>



## APPENDIX E

### Superfund (CERCLA) Site Fact Sheets

for sites listed within the Little Calumet-Galien watershed



### **AMERICAN CHEMICAL SERVICE, INC.**

#### Site Information:

**Site Name:** AMERICAN CHEMICAL SERVICE, INC.

**Address:** 420 SOUTH COLFAX AVENUE  
GRIFFITH, IN 46319

**EPA ID:** IND016360265

**EPA Region:** 05

**County:** 089 LAKE

**Latitude:** +41.514200

**Longitude:** -087.419100

**NPL Status:** Currently on the Final NPL

**Non-NPL Status:**

**Federal Facility Flag:** Not a Federal Facility

**Incident Category:** Chemical Plant

#### Record of Decision (ROD) List:

	ROD ID	ROD Date	OU	
1	<a href="#">EPA/ROD/R05-92/217</a>	09/30/1992		01
2	<a href="#">EPA/541/R-99/071</a>	07/27/1999		01

#### 1) Record of Decision (ROD):

**Operable Unit:** 01  
**ROD ID:** EPA/ROD/R05-92/217  
**ROD Date:** 09/30/1992

**Media:** Debris, Ground Water, Soil

**Contaminant:** VOCs, Other Organics, Metals

**Abstract:** SITE HISTORY/DESCRIPTION:

The 36-acre American Chemical Services (ACS) site is a chemical manufacturing facility in Griffith, Indiana, which was formerly involved in solvent recovery. Land use in the area is predominantly residential and industrial with a wetlands area located north of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway on the west of the site. Nine upper aquifer wells and 16 lower aquifer wells are located within 1/2 mile of the site, with area residents using most of the lower aquifer wells for drinking water. From the late 1960's to early 1970's, ACS manufactured barium naphtherate, brominated vegetable oil, lacquers and paints, liquid soldering fluid, and polyethylene solutions in

polybutene. Two onsite incinerators burned still bottoms, nonreclaimable materials generated from the site, and offsite wastes; however, in the 1970's, the incinerators were dismantled, the shells were cut up and scrapped, and the burners and blowers remain onsite. From 1970 to 1975, batch manufacturing expanded, and additives, lubricants, detergents, and soldering flux were manufactured. In 1980, a 31 -acre part of the property to the west of the offsite containment area was sold to the City of Griffith to expand the City's municipal landfill. Solvent recovery operations continued until 1990 when ACS lost interim status under RCRA regulations because of failure to obtain required insurance policies. Three identified disposal areas on the ACS property are the Onsite Containment Area, where approximately 400 drums containing sludge and semi-solids of unknown types were reportedly disposed of; the Still Bottoms, Treatment Lagoon #1, and adjacent areas, which received still bottoms from the solvent recovery process, including a pond and lagoon that were taken out of service in 1972, drained, and filled with an estimated 3,200 drums containing sludge materials; and the Offsite Containment Area and Kapica/Pazmey property, which was used as a waste disposal area and received wastes that included onsite incinerator ash, general refuse, a tank truck containing solidified paint, and an estimated 20,000 to 30,000 drums that were reportedly punctured prior to disposal. Disposal practices in the Offsite Containment Area ceased in 1975. This ROD addresses a final remedy for the buried drums, as well as waste, contaminated soil, debris, and ground water. The primary contaminants of concern affecting the soil, debris, and ground water are VOCs, including benzene, TCE, toluene, and xylenes; other organics, including PCBs, PAHs, and phenols; and metals, including arsenic, chromium, and lead. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OR GOALS: Chemical-specific soil clean-up goals are based on risk-based levels and include benzene 1.0 mg/kg; toluene 167-5,000 mg/kg; xylenes 867-26,000 mg/kg; PCBs 10 mg/kg (with 10-inch soil cover); chromium 47-1,400 mg/kg; and lead 500 mg/kg. The lead clean-up level for soil is based on the Interim Guidance on Establishing Soil Lead Cleanup Levels at Superfund Sites and the PCB clean-up level for soil is based on TSCA policy for unrestricted access. Chemical-specific ground water clean-up goals are based on risk-based levels, SDWA MCLs, and benzene 5 ug/l; PCE 5 ug/l; PCBs 0.06 ug/l; and arsenic 8.8 ug/l. INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS: Institutional controls may be implemented in the form of deed restrictions, and site access restrictions such as fencing, to provide protection from contaminants until clean-up standards are met.

#### **Remedy:**

#### **SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION:**

The selected remedial action for this site includes excavation and offsite incineration of approximately 400 intact buried drums, decontaminating and disposing of miscellaneous debris offsite; treating contaminated soil using in-situ vapor extraction; conducting an in-situ vapor extraction pilot study for Onsite Area buried waste; excavating and treating buried waste or PCB-contaminated soil onsite using low temperature thermal treatment, with vapor emission control during excavation, and possible immobilization of inorganics after treatment; depositing the treated residuals that meet health-based levels onsite and covering the area with a soil cover; pumping and onsite treatment of contaminated ground water along with wash water from the decontamination processes and condensate from the soil treatment processes using a method to be determined during the RD phase, with onsite discharge of the treated water to surface water and wetlands; continuing to evaluate and monitor wetlands, with mitigation of affected wetlands if necessary; controlling and monitoring air emissions from excavation and treatment processes; conducting longterm ground water monitoring; and implementing, to the extent possible, institutional controls including deed restrictions, and site access restrictions such as fencing. The estimated present worth cost for this remedial action ranges from

\$37,800,000 to \$46,800,000, which includes an annual O&M cost of \$17,670,000 for 30 years.

## **2) Record of Decision (ROD):**

**Operable Unit:**

01

**ROD ID:**

EPA/541/R-99/071

**ROD Date:**

07/27/1999

**Media:** Groundwater, Sediment, Soil

**Abstract:**

Please note that the text in

this document summarizes the Record of Decision for the purposes of facilitating searching and retrieving key text on the ROD. It is not the officially approved abstract drafted by the EPA Regional offices. Once EPA Headquarters receives the official abstract, this text will be replaced.

The American Chemical Service (ACS) Site is located at 420 S. Colfax Ave., Griffith, Indiana. The site is 19 acres and consists of the "Offsite" and "Onsite" Containment Areas, the 2-acre "Kapica-Pazmey" property, and a 15-acre portion of the Griffith Municipal Landfill. Groundwater contaminant plumes emanate from the ACS site, and site wastes have impacted certain nearby wetland areas.

Since 1955, a solvent recovery business - American Chemical Service Corporation (ACSC) - has been located on this site. Past waste handling, storage and disposal practices led to contamination of the site. ACSC lost its interim (authorization to operate) status under Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) in 1990, but it still maintains its specialty chemical manufacturing operations.

A Record of Decision (ROD) was completed in September 1992 that addressed the site.

A Record of Decision (ROD) Amendment was completed in July 1999.

**Remedy:**

Soil contaminants will be

contained on site by surrounding the site with a subsurface barrier wall, capping the site and withdrawing groundwater inside the barrier wall. Volatile organic compound-laden soil will be treated by a Soil Vapor Extraction system. Polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB)-laden sediments in site wetlands will be excavated to achieve cleanup level of 1mg/kg to depth. Excavated sediments containing less than 50 mg/kg PCBs will be disposed of offsite at a Toxic Substances Control Act compliant facility. The wetlands will be restored. A deed restriction will be maintained on the site. In addition, EPA will be gathering offsite groundwater data to determine whether contaminants may be addressed through monitored natural attenuation, and to determine whether enhanced bioremediation is appropriate in discreet areas. EPA may initiate a second Record of Decision amendment if necessary.

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## **LAKE SANDY JO (M&M LANDFILL)**

### **Site Information:**

**Site Name:** LAKE SANDY JO (M&M LANDFILL)  
**Address:** 3615 WEST 25TH AVENUE  
GARY, IN 46404

**EPA ID:** IND980500524  
**EPA Region:** 05  
**County:** 089 LAKE

**Latitude:** +41.570839  
**Longitude:** -087.382231

**NPL Status:** Currently on the Final NPL  
**Non-NPL Status:**  
**Federal Facility Flag:** Not a Federal Facility  
**Incident Category:** Landfill

**Record of Decision (ROD) List:**

	ROD ID	ROD Date	OU	
1	<a href="#">EPA/ROD/R05-86/043</a>	09/26/1986		01

**1) Record of Decision (ROD):**

**Operable Unit:** 01  
**ROD ID:** EPA/ROD/R05-86/043  
**ROD Date:** 09/26/1986

**Media:** GROUNDWATER SEDIMENTS SOIL

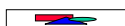
**Contaminant:** HEAVY METALS, PAHS,  
PHTHALATES

**Abstract:** THE LAKE SANDY JO SITE IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEAST SIDE OF THE CITY OF GARY IN LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA. THE SITE WAS A FORMER 40-ACRE WATER-FILLED BORROW PIT THAT WAS USED AS A LANDFILL BETWEEN 1971 AND 1980. VARIOUS WASTES INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS, GARAGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTES, AND DRUMS ARE BELIEVED TO BE IN THE SITE. THE AREA SURROUNDING THE SITE IS PRIMARILY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. THE BORROW PIT ON THE SITE WAS ORIGINALLY DUG TO SUPPORT CONSTRUCTION OF I-90/84, WHICH IS ADJACENT TO THE SITE. IN 1971 THE PIT WAS FILLED WITH GROUND WATER AND WAS USED FOR A SHORT TIME AS A RECREATIONAL LAKE. BETWEEN 1971 AND 1975 THE PIT WAS FILLED WITH VARIOUS DEBRIS. COMPLAINTS WERE FILED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS ABOUT ODORS EMANATING FROM THE SITE, AND IN 1976 THE OWNERS WERE ORDERED TO DRAIN THE LAKE AND RESTRICT FILL TO DEMOLITION DEBRIS ONLY. LATER IN 1976 THE SITE WAS SOLD TO GLEN AND GORDON MARTIN, WHO CONTINUED FILLING OPERATIONS WITHOUT A PERMIT UNTIL THE SITE WAS CLOSED IN 1980. THE PRIMARY CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN ARE PAHS, PHTHALATES AND HEAVY METALS, FOUND MAINLY IN SOILS.

THE SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THIS SITE INCLUDES; INSTALLATION OF A SOIL COVER OVER THE LANDFILL WITH A DRAINAGE BLANKET TO CONTROL SURFACE SEEPS; EXTENSION OF WATER MAINS TO AFFECTED RESIDENTS IN GARY; ONSITE CONSOLIDATION OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENTS; GROUND WATER AND SURFACE WATER/SEDIMENT MONITORING; AND DEED RESTRICTIONS ON LANDFILLED PROPERTY AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS ON AQUIFER USE. THE ESTIMATED CAPITAL COST OF THE REMEDY IS \$4,747,000 WITH ANNUAL O&M COSTS OF \$63,000.

**Remedy:** - INSTALLATION OF A SOIL COVER OVER THE LANDFILL WITH A DRAINAGE BLANKET TO CONTROL SURFACE SEEPS.  
- EXTENSION OF WATER MAINS FROM THE GARY-HOBART WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INTO THE COMMUNITY NORTH OF 29TH AVENUE, SOUTH OF 25TH AVENUE BETWEEN MORTON AND CHASE STREETS IN GARY.  
- ONSITE CONSOLIDATION OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENTS.  
- GROUND WATER MONITORING ON A QUARTERLY BASIS AND SURFACE WATER/SEDIMENT AND SUPPLEMENTAL GROUND WATER MONITORING ON A SEMI-ANNUALLY BASIS.  
- DEED RESTRICTIONS ON LANDFILL PROPERTY AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS ON AQUIFER USE IN THE AFFECTED AREAS.

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**MIDCO I**

### **Site Information:**

**Site Name:** MIDCO I  
**Address:** 7400 W 15TH AVE

GARY, IN 46401

**EPA ID:** IND980615421  
**EPA Region:** 05  
**County:** 089 LAKE

**Latitude:** +41.589500  
**Longitude:** -087.428400

**NPL Status:** Currently on the Final NPL

**Non-NPL Status:**

**Federal Facility Flag:**

Not a Federal

Facility

**Incident Category:** Industrial Waste Treatment

### Record of Decision (ROD) List:

	ROD ID	ROD Date	OU
1	<a href="#">EPA/ROD/R05-89/092</a>	06/30/1989	01
2	<a href="#">EPA/AMD/R05-92/196</a>	04/13/1992	01

### 1) Record of Decision (ROD):

**Operable Unit:**

01

**ROD ID:** EPA/ROD/R05-89/092

**ROD Date:** 06/30/1989

**Media:** SOIL SEDIMENT GROUNDWATER

**Contaminant:** VOCs, BENZENE, TOLUENE, TCE, PCBS, PAHS, PHENOLS, CHROMIUM, LEAD

**Abstract:** THE MIDCO I SITE IS A FOUR-ACRE, ABANDONED INDUSTRIAL WASTE RECYCLING, STORAGE, AND DISPOSAL FACILITY IN GARY, INDIANA. THE SURROUNDING AREA IS PARTIALLY RURAL, INCLUDING WETLANDS. RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS LIE TO THE WEST, SOUTH, AND EAST, WITH SOME RESIDENTS LIVING AS CLOSE AS 900 FEET FROM THE SITE. TWELVE DRINKING WATER WELLS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED WITHIN APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE OF THE SITE. THE CALUMET AQUIFER, ONE OF THE TWO MAJOR AQUIFERS UNDERLYING THE SITE AND PROVIDING WATER TO THESE WELLS, IS HIGHLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO CONTAMINATION FROM SURFACE SOURCES. RECYCLING, STORING, AND DISPOSING OF INDUSTRIAL WASTES BEGAN AT THE SITE SOMETIME BEFORE JUNE 1973. WITHIN A THREE-YEAR PERIOD, THE SITE OWNERS ACCEPTED AND STOCKPILED APPROXIMATELY 6,000-7,000 55-GALLON DRUMS CONTAINING BULK LIQUID WASTE, AND 4 BULK TANKS, EACH 4,000-10,000 GALLONS. THE FACILITY CLOSED IN DECEMBER 1976 AFTER A FIRE BURNED APPROXIMATELY 14,000 DRUMS OF CHEMICAL WASTE. OPERATIONS RESUMED IN OCTOBER 1977 UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP. BY FEBRUARY 1979 THE NEW OWNERS ABANDONED THE FACILITY, LEAVING THOUSANDS OF DRUMS AND WASTE CHEMICALS UNATTENDED. BY JANUARY 1980 AN ESTIMATED 14,000 DRUMS WERE STILL STOCKPILED ONSITE. IN JUNE 1981 SEVERE FLOODING CAUSED WATER IN THE AREA TO DRAIN WEST INTO A NEIGHBORING CITY; CONTACT WITH THE FLOOD WATER REPORTEDLY RESULTED IN SKIN BURNS. IN 1982 EPA INITIATED A SURFACE REMOVAL ACTION WHICH

INCLUDED REMOVING EXTENSIVE SURFACE WASTES, AN UNDERGROUND TANK, AND THE TOP ONE FOOT OF CONTAMINATED SOIL. BECAUSE THESE ACTIVITIES DID NOT ADDRESS THE CONTAMINATED SUBSURFACE SOIL, SEDIMENT, AND GROUND WATER, EPA HAS INITIATED THIS FIRST REMEDIAL ACTION TO ADDRESS THE ABOVE-REFERENCED CONTAMINATED MEDIA. THE PRIMARY CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN AFFECTING THE SOIL, SEDIMENT, AND GROUND WATER ARE VOCs INCLUDING BENZENE, TOLUENE, AND TCE; OTHER ORGANICS INCLUDING PCBS, PHENOLS, AND PAHS; AND METALS INCLUDING CHROMIUM AND LEAD.

THE SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THIS SITE INCLUDES EXCAVATION AND TREATMENT OF 12,400 YD<sup>3</sup> OF CONTAMINATED SOIL AND SUBSURFACE MATERIALS USING A COMBINATION OF VAPOR EXTRACTION AND SOLIDIFICATION STABILIZATION, FOLLOWED BY ONSITE DISPOSAL; EXCAVATION AND ONSITE SOLIDIFICATION STABILIZATION OF APPROXIMATELY 1,200 YD<sup>3</sup> OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENT IN SURROUNDING WETLANDS; COVERING THE SITE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RCRA LANDFILL CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS; GROUND WATER PUMPING AND DEEP WELL INJECTION IN A CLASS I WELL IF EPA GRANTS A PETITION TO ALLOW LAND DISPOSAL OF WASTE PROHIBITED UNDER RCRA; IF A PETITION IS NOT APPROVED, GROUND WATER WILL BE TREATED USING AIR STRIPPING AND A LIQUID-PHASE GRANULAR ACTIVATED CARBON POLISH SYSTEM TO MEET EPA REQUIREMENTS (LDR TREATMENT STANDARDS), FOLLOWED BY DEEP WELL INJECTION OR REINJECTION INTO THE AQUIFER; GROUND WATER MONITORING; AND IMPLEMENTATION OF DEED AND ACCESS RESTRICTIONS. THE ESTIMATED PRESENT WORTH COST FOR THIS REMEDIAL ACTION IS \$13,989,000, WHICH INCLUDES ANNUAL O&M COSTS OF \$525,000, IF GROUND WATER IS TREATED; OR \$10,728,000, WHICH INCLUDES ANNUAL O&M COSTS OF \$188,000, IF GROUND WATER IS NOT TREATED.

**Remedy:** THIS IS THE FINAL REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THE MIDCO I. A SURFACE REMOVAL ACTION INCLUDING REMOVAL AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL OF WASTES IN DRUMS AND SUB-SURFACE TANKS AND THE TOP ONE FOOT OF CONTAMINATED SOIL WAS COMPLETED IN 1982. THE FINAL REMEDIAL ACTION WILL TREAT THE HIGHLY CONTAMINATED SUBSURFACE SOILS AND MATERIALS THAT REMAIN AT THE SITE AND THAT ARE CONTRIBUTING TO GROUND WATER AND SURFACE WATER CONTAMINATION NEAR THE SITE, AND WILL TREAT THE HIGHLY CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER NEAR THE SITE. THESE ACTIONS WILL ADDRESS THE PRINCIPAL THREATS POSED BY THE SITE WHICH INCLUDE PUBLIC HEALTH RISKS DUE TO FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SITE, PUBLIC HEALTH RISKS DUE TO OFF-SITE MIGRATION OF GROUND WATER AND, PUBLIC RISKS DUE TO AIR EMISSIONS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ON SURROUNDING WETLANDS.

THE MAJOR COMPONENTS OF THE SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTIONS INCLUDE:

\* ON-SITE TREATMENT OF AN ESTIMATED 12,400 CUBIC YARDS OF CONTAMINATED SOIL AND WASTE MATERIAL BY A COMBINATION OF VAPOR EXTRACTION AND SOLIDIFICATION/STABILIZATION FOLLOWED BY ON-SITE DEPOSITION OF THE SOLIDIFIED MATERIAL. THE SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION SYSTEM WILL BE CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL WHEN VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS ARE REDUCED TO LEVELS THAT WILL POSE NO HEALTH THREAT AND ALLOW SOLIDIFICATION/STABILIZATION TO PROCEED SUCCESSFULLY. THE SOLIDIFICATION/STABILIZATION OPERATION WILL BE CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL WHEN IT REDUCES THE MOBILITY OF CONTAMINANTS SO THAT LEACHATE FROM THE SOLID MASS WILL NOT CAUSE EXCEEDANCE OF HEALTH BASED LEVELS IN THE

## GROUND WATER.

- \* EXCAVATION AND ON-SITE SOLIDIFICATION/STABILIZATION OF APPROXIMATELY 1200 CUBIC YARDS OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENTS IN SURROUNDING WETLANDS;
- \* INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A GROUND WATER PUMPING SYSTEM TO INTERCEPT CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER FROM THE SITE;
- \* INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A DEEP, CLASS I, UNDERGROUND INJECTION WELL FOR DISPOSAL OF THE CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER; OR IF A NO-MIGRATION PETITION IS DISAPPROVED BY US EPA, INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A TREATMENT SYSTEM FOR THE CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER TO REMOVE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES FOLLOWED BY DEEP WELL INJECTION OF THE SALT-CONTAMINATED WATER; OR INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A TREATMENT SYSTEM FOR THE CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER TO REMOVE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES FOLLOWED BY REINJECTION OF THE SALT-CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER INTO THE CALUMET AQUIFER IN A MANNER THAT WILL PREVENT SPREADING OF THE SALT PLUME;
- \* INSTALLATION OF A FINAL SITE COVER SATISFYING RCRA CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS, IF APPLICABLE OR IF CONSIDERED RELEVANT AND APPROPRIATE (THE QUALITY OF CAP REQUIRED WILL ALSO DEPEND ON THE RESULTS OF TESTS ON THE SOLIDIFIED MATERIAL);
- \* RESTRICTION OF SITE ACCESS AND IMPOSITION OF DEED RESTRICTIONS AS APPROPRIATE;
- \* RELATED TESTING AND LONG TERM MONITORING.

THE GROUNDWATER TREATMENT AND UNDERGROUND INJECTION PORTIONS OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION MAY BE COMBINED WITH THE REMEDIAL ACTION FOR MIDCO II. IN THIS CASE, THE COMBINED TREATMENT CONSTITUTES AN ON-SITE ACTION, FOR PURPOSES OF THE OFF-SITE POLICY.

### **2) Record of Decision (ROD):**

#### **Operable Unit:**

01

**ROD ID:** EPA/AMD/R05-92/196

**ROD Date:** 04/13/1992

**Media:** Subsurface Soil, Sediment, Groundwater

**Contaminant:** VOCs, Metals, Inorganics

**Abstract:** SITE HISTORY/DESCRIPTION: The 4-acre MIDCO I site is an abandoned, industrial waste recycling, storage, and disposal facility in Gary, Indiana. The surrounding land use is mixed industrial, commercial, and residential. The nearest residential area is about 1/4-mile west of the site. The Calumet Aquifer underlies the site and provides drinking water to wells within 1 mile of the site. From 1973 to 1979, two different owners operated the facility and stockpiled thousands of drums of bulk liquid and chemical waste. In 1976, a fire at the site destroyed an estimated 14,000 waste drums. In 1981, EPA installed a fence around the site. In 1982, EPA removed all surface wastes, including thousands of drums and an underground storage tank; excavated and disposed of contaminated surface soil; and placed a clay cover over much of the site. This ROD amends a 1989 ROD that addressed the remaining contaminated soil and ground water by treatment of an estimated 12,400 cubic yards of soil using soil vapor extraction and solidification/stabilization, followed by onsite disposal; excavation and



solidification/stabilization of an estimated 1,200 cubic yards of contaminated sediments, followed by onsite disposal; and covering the site in accordance with RCRA landfill closure requirements; ground water pumping and injection into a shallow or deep aquifer. The amended remedy reduces the estimated amount of soil to be treated, as a result of new information on arsenic data and amended soil CALs; further defines the site cover requirements; and further defines the requirements of deep well injection of contaminated ground water. The primary contaminants of concern affecting the subsurface soil, sediment, and ground water are VOCs, including TCE, toluene, and xylenes; metals, including chromium and lead; and inorganics. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OR GOALS: Ground water clean-up standards for the Calumet Aquifer are not changed from the 1989 ROD. Treatment requirements prior to DWI are further defined compared to the 1989 ROD and include, at a minimum, treatment to MACs, which are required for RCRA delisting. Specific MACs include methylene chloride 31.5 ug/l; trichloroethene 31.5 ug/l; toluene 6,300 ug/l; chromium 630 ug/l; nickel 630 ug/l; and lead 950 ug/l. Treatment below MACs will be required, if necessary, to protect underground sources of drinking water. Soil treatment action levels are increased from  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  and HI = 1 in the 1989 ROD to  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  and HI = 5 in this amendment INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS: Institutional controls including access and deed restrictions will be implemented to protect the integrity of the site cover and operational aspects of the remedy.

**Remedy:** SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION: The amended remedial action for this site includes reducing the amount of soil to be treated to a minimum of 5,200 cubic yards because of the amendment to soil CALs and the determination that arsenic may not be present above background levels at the site; treating the contaminated soil onsite using soil vapor extraction, followed by in-situ solidification/stabilization; excavating and treating an estimated 500 cubic yards of contaminated sediment from the surrounding wetlands onsite using solidification/stabilization; pumping and treatment of contaminated ground water using air stripping and carbon absorption, followed by onsite deep well injection; constructing a final RCRA cover over the entire site; implementing institutional controls including deed restrictions, and site access restrictions; conducting long-term monitoring and providing for a contingency remedy in the event that ground water clean-up action levels for the Calumet Aquifer are technically impracticable to attain, which includes low-level pumping to contain contaminated ground water and additional institutional controls. The ground water treatment or underground injection portions of this remedy may be combined with remedial actions for the nearby Midco II site. The estimated present worth cost for this amended remedial action is \$10,000,000, which includes an annual O&M cost of \$460,000.

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**MIDCO II**

### Site Information:

**Site Name:** MIDCO II

**Address:** 5900 INDUSTRIAL HIGHWAY  
GARY, IN 46406

**EPA ID:** IND980679559  
**EPA Region:** 05  
**County:** 089 LAKE

**Latitude:** +41.622781  
**Longitude:** -087.408611

**NPL Status:** Currently on the Final NPL

**Non-NPL Status:**

**Federal Facility Flag:**

Not a Federal Facility

**Incident Category:**

Industrial Waste Treatment

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2	<a href="#">EPA/AMD/R05-92/193</a>	04/13/1992		01

### 1) Record of Decision (ROD):

**Operable Unit:** 01

**ROD ID:** EPA/ROD/R05-89/093

**ROD Date:** 06/30/1989

**Media:** SOIL SEDIMENT GROUNDWATER

**Contaminant:** VOCs, BENZENE, TOLUENE,  
TCE, XYLENES, PCBS, ARSENIC, CHROMIUM, LEAD

**Abstract:** THE MIDCO II SITE IS A SEVEN-ACRE STORAGE AND DISPOSAL FACILITY IN GARY, INDIANA. THE SURROUNDING AREA IS PREDOMINANTLY USED FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES, AND INCLUDES 34 OTHER POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES. THE UNDERLYING AQUIFER IS HIGHLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO CONTAMINATION FROM SURFACE SOURCES BECAUSE OF THE HIGH WATER TABLE; HOWEVER, IN THE VICINITY OF THE SITE, THE AQUIFER IS USED PRIMARILY FOR NON-DRINKING WATER PURPOSES. THE SAME OPERATOR AS AT ANOTHER SUPERFUND SITE, MIDCO I, BEGAN WASTE OPERATIONS, INCLUDING DRUM STORAGE AT MIDCO II DURING THE SUMMER OF 1976. FOLLOWING A MAJOR FIRE AT THE MIDCO I SITE IN JANUARY 1977, MIDCO TRANSFERRED THE OPERATIONS FROM THE MIDCO I SITE TO THE MIDCO II SITE. OPERATIONS INCLUDED TEMPORARILY STORING BULK LIQUID AND DRUM WASTES; NEUTRALIZING ACIDS AND CAUSTICS; AND DISPOSING OF WASTES BY DUMPING WASTES INTO ONSITE PITS, WHICH ALLOWED WASTES TO PERCOLATE INTO THE GROUND WATER. ONE OF THESE PITS, THE FILTER PIT, HAD AN OVERFLOW PIPE LEADING INTO A DITCH, WHICH DRAINED INTO THE NEARBY GRAND CALUMET RIVER. BY APRIL 1977 APPROXIMATELY 12,000 TO 15,000 55-GALLON DRUMS OF WASTE MATERIALS WERE STORED ONSITE. ADDITIONALLY, AN ESTIMATED TEN BADLY DETERIORATED AND LEAKING TANKS WERE HOLDING WASTES INCLUDING OILS, OIL SLUDGES, CHLORINATED SOLVENTS, PAINT SOLVENTS, PAINT SLUDGES, ACIDS, AND SPENT CYANIDES. IN AUGUST 1977 A FIRE AT THE SITE DESTROYED 50,000 TO 60,000 DRUMS. ALTHOUGH MOST DRUMS WERE BADLY DAMAGED A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF DRUMS, INCLUDING 75 TO 100 DRUMS CONTAINING CYANIDE, SURVIVED THE FIRE. EPA CONDUCTED A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION RESULTING IN THE INSTALLATION OF A 10-FOOT HIGH FENCE AROUND THE SITE. IN 1984 AND 1985 EPA CONDUCTED EMERGENCY REMOVAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING

REPAIRING AND EXTENDING THE SITE FENCE; REMOVING MOST OF THE REMAINING DRUMS, TANKS, AND DEBRIS FROM THE SITE'S SURFACE; AND REMOVING THE SLUDGE PITS AND FILTER PIT CONTENTS. THE RESULTING PCB-CONTAMINATED SOIL PILE WAS REMOVED AND DISPOSED OF IN AN OFFSITE HAZARDOUS WASTE LANDFILL IN EARLY 1986, AND MOST OF THE CYANIDE-CONTAMINATED PILE WAS ALSO REMOVED. REMOVAL ACTIVITIES ENDED IN JANUARY 1986. THE PRIMARY CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN CURRENTLY AFFECTING THE SOIL, SEDIMENT, AND GROUND WATER ARE VOCs INCLUDING BENZENE, TOLUENE, TCE, AND XYLENES; OTHER ORGANICS INCLUDING PCBS; AND METALS INCLUDING ARSENIC, CHROMIUM, AND LEAD.

THE SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THIS SITE INCLUDES EXCAVATION AND TREATMENT OF 35,000 YD<sup>3</sup> OF CONTAMINATED SOIL AND WASTE MATERIALS USING SOLIDIFICATION/STABILIZATION FOLLOWED BY ONSITE DISPOSAL; EXCAVATION AND ONSITE SOLIDIFICATION/STABILIZATION OF 500 YD<sup>3</sup> OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENT; COVERING THE SITE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RCRA LANDFILL CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS; GROUND WATER PUMPING AND DEEP WELL INJECTION IN A CLASS I WELL IF EPA GRANTS A PETITION TO ALLOW LAND DISPOSAL OF WASTE PROHIBITED UNDER RCRA; IF A PETITION IS NOT APPROVED, GROUND WATER WILL BE TREATED USING AIR STRIPPING AND A LIQUID PHASE GRANULAR ACTIVATED CARBON POLISH SYSTEM TO MEET EPA REQUIREMENTS (LDR TREATMENT STANDARDS), FOLLOWED BY DEEP WELL INJECTION OR REINJECTION INTO THE AQUIFER; GROUND WATER MONITORING; AND IMPLEMENTING DEED AND ACCESS RESTRICTIONS. THE GROUND WATER TREATMENT AND UNDERGROUND INJECTION PORTIONS OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION MAY BE COMBINED WITH THE REMEDIAL ACTION FOR MIDCO I. THE ESTIMATED PRESENT WORTH COST FOR THE REMEDIAL ACTION IS \$18,596,400, WHICH INCLUDES ANNUAL O&M COST OF \$733,000, IF GROUND WATER IS TREATED; OR \$14,419,000, WHICH INCLUDES ANNUAL O&M COSTS OF \$301,000, IF GROUND WATER IS NOT TREATED.

**Remedy:** THIS IS THE FINAL REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THE MIDCO II. A SURFACE REMOVAL ACTION INCLUDING REMOVAL AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL OF WASTES IN DRUMS AND SUB-SURFACE MATERIALS IN THE FORMER SLUDGE PIT AND FILTER BED HAS BEEN COMPLETED BY US EPA. THE FINAL REMEDIAL ACTION WILL TREAT THE HIGHLY CONTAMINATED SUBSURFACE SOILS AND MATERIALS THAT REMAIN AT THE SITE AND THAT ARE CONTRIBUTING TO GROUND WATER AND SURFACE WATER CONTAMINATION NEAR THE SITE, AND WILL TREAT THE HIGHLY CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER NEAR THE SITE. THESE ACTIONS WILL ADDRESS THE PRINCIPAL THREATS POSED BY THE SITE WHICH INCLUDE PUBLIC HEALTH RISKS DUE TO FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SITE, PUBLIC HEALTH RISKS DUE TO OFF-SITE MIGRATION OF GROUND WATER, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ON THE DITCH NORTHEAST OF THE SITE AND DOWN-STREAM WETLANDS.

THE MAJOR COMPONENTS OF THE SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTIONS INCLUDE:

\* ON-SITE TREATMENT OF AN ESTIMATED 35,000 CUBIC YARDS OF CONTAMINATED SOIL AND WASTE MATERIAL BY SOLIDIFICATION STABILIZATION FOLLOWED BY ON-SITE DEPOSITION OF THE SOLIDIFIED MATERIAL. THE SOLIDIFICATION/STABILIZATION OPERATION WILL BE CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL IF IT REDUCES THE MOBILITY OF CONTAMINANTS SO THAT LEACHATE FROM THE SOLID MASS WILL NOT CAUSE EXCEEDANCE OF HEALTH BASED LEVELS IN THE GROUND WATER.

\* EXCAVATION AND ON-SITE SOLIDIFICATION STABILIZATION OF APPROXIMATELY 500 CUBIC YARDS OF CONTAMINATED SEDIMENTS IN THE DITCH ADJACENT TO THE NORTHEAST BOUNDARY OF THE SITE,

\* INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A GROUND WATER PUMPING SYSTEM TO INTERCEPT CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER FROM THE SITE;

\* INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A DEEP, CLASS I, UNDERGROUND INJECTION WELL FOR DISPOSAL OF THE CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER; OF IF A NO-MIGRATION DEMONSTRATION IS DISAPPROVED BY US EPA, INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A TREATMENT SYSTEM FOR THE CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER TO REMOVE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES FOLLOWED BY DEEP WELL INJECTION OF THE SALT CONTAMINATED WATER; OR INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A TREATMENT SYSTEM FOR THE CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER TO REMOVE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES FOLLOWED BY REINJECTION OF THE SALT CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER INTO THE CALUMET AQUIFER IN A MANNER THAT WILL PREVENT SPREADING OF THE SALT PLUME.

\* INSTALLATION OF A CONDUIT IN THE DITCH ALONG THE SITE AND A FINAL SITE COVER SATISFYING RCRA CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS, IF APPLICABLE OR IF CONSIDERED RELEVANT AND APPROPRIATE (THE QUALITY OF CAP REQUIRED WILL DEPEND ON THE RESULTS OF TESTS ON THE SOLIDIFIED MATERIAL;

\* RESTRICTION OF SITE ACCESS AND IMPOSITION OF DEED RESTRICTIONS AS APPROPRIATE;

\* RELATED TESTING AND LONG TERM MONITORING.

THE GROUNDWATER TREATMENT AND UNDERGROUND INJECTION PORTIONS OF THE REMEDIAL ACTION MAY BE COMBINED WITH THE REMEDIAL ACTION FOR MIDCO I. IN THIS CASE, THE COMBINED TREATMENT CONSTITUTES AN ON-SITE ACTION, FOR PURPOSES OF THE OFF-SITE POLICY AND FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT.

## **2) Record of Decision (ROD):**

**Operable Unit:**

01

**ROD ID:** EPA/AMD/R05-92/193

**ROD Date:**

04/13/1992

**Media:** Soil Sediments, Ground Water

**Contaminant:**

VOCs Metals Inorganics

**Abstract:**

SITE HISTORY/DESCRIPTION:

The 7-acre MIDCO II site is an abandoned chemical waste storage and disposal facility in Gary, Indiana. Land use in the surrounding area is predominantly industrial. The underlying aquifer, which is used primarily for non-drinking purposes, is highly susceptible to contamination from surface sources. From 1976 to 1978, this site was used for treatment, storage, and disposal of chemical and bulk liquid wastes. Onsite pits were used for disposal, from which wastes percolated into and contaminated the ground water. An overflow pipe from a filter bed disposal pit discharged directly into a ditch draining directly into the nearby Grand Calumet River. Additionally, an estimated 10 waste storage tanks were deteriorated and leaking. In 1977, a fire at the site destroyed an estimated 50,000 to 60,000 waste drums. In 1981, EPA installed a fence around the site. From 1984 to 1989, EPA removed all surface wastes, including thousands of drums and numerous tanks of

chemical waste; excavated and disposed offsite subsurface soils and wastes from the sludge pits and the filter bed; and extended the site fence. This ROD amends a 1989 ROD that addressed the remaining contaminated soil, pit wastes, and ground water by treatment of an estimated 35,000 cubic yards of soil wastes using solidification/stabilization followed by onsite disposal; excavation and solidification/stabilization of 500 cubic yards of contaminated sediments followed by onsite disposal; covering the site in accordance with RCRA landfill closure requirements; ground water pumping and injection into a shallow or deep aquifer with or without treatment, depending on treatment studies; and implementing deed and access restrictions. The amended remedy reduces the estimated amount of soil to be treated, as a result of amended soil CALs and a determination that arsenic may not be present above background levels. The primary contaminants of concern affecting the subsurface soil, sediment, and ground water are VOCs, including toluene, TCE, and xylenes; metals, including chromium and lead; and inorganics. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OR GOALS: Ground water clean-up standards are not changed from the 1989 ROD. Treatment required prior to OU1 are further defined compared to the 1989 ROD, and include at a minimum treatment to MACs, which are required for RCRA delisting. Specific MACs include methylene chloride 31.5 ug/l; trichloroethene 31.5 ug/l; toluene 6,300 ug/l; chromium 630 ug/l; nickel 630 ug/l; and lead 99.5 ug/l. Treatment below the MACs will be required if necessary to protect underground sources of drinking water. Soil treatment action levels are increased from  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  and HI = 1 in the 1989 ROD to  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  and HI = 5 in this ROD. INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS: Institutional controls including deed and access restrictions will be implemented to protect the integrity of the site cover and operational aspects of the remedy.

**Remedy:** SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION: The amended remedial action for this site includes reducing the amount of soil to be treated from an estimated 35,000 cubic yards to an estimated 12,200 cubic yards; excavating and treating the contaminated soil onsite using soil vapor extraction, followed by in-situ solidification/ stabilization; excavating an estimated 500 cubic yards of contaminated sediment from a ditch adjacent to the northeast boundary of the site, with onsite solidification/stabilization; pumping and onsite treatment of contaminated ground water using air stripping and carbon adsorption, or possibly precipitation, with deep well injection of the treated water; constructing a final vegetated RCRA cover over the entire site; implementing institutional controls including deed restrictions, and site access restrictions; conducting long-term monitoring and providing for a contingency remedy if clean-up action levels for the Calumet Aquifer are technically impracticable to attain which includes low-level pumping to contain contaminated ground water and additional institutional controls. The ground water treatment or underground injection portions of this remedy may be combined with remedial actions for the adjacent Midco I site. The estimated present worth cost for this amended remedial action is \$13,000,000, which includes an annual O&M cost of \$660,000.

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**NINTH AVENUE DUMP**

**Site Information:**

**Site Name:** NINTH AVENUE DUMP  
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GARY, IN 46402

**EPA ID:** IND980794432  
**EPA Region:** 05  
**County:** 089 LAKE

**Latitude:** +41.593400  
**Longitude:** -087.429000

**NPL Status:** Currently on the Final NPL

**Non-NPL Status:**

**Federal Facility Flag:**

Not a Federal Facility

**Incident Category:**

Industrial Waste Treatment

**Record of Decision (ROD) List:**

	<b>ROD ID</b>	<b>ROD Date</b>	<b>OU</b>	
1	<a href="#">EPA/ROD/R05-88/071</a>	09/20/1988		01
2	<a href="#">EPA/ROD/R05-89/095</a>	06/30/1989		02
3	<a href="#">EPA/AMD/R05-94/260</a>	09/13/1994		02

**1) Record of Decision (ROD):**

**Operable Unit:** 01

**ROD ID:** EPA/ROD/R05-88/071

**ROD Date:** 09/20/1988

**Media:** GROUNDWATER

**Contaminant:** METALS, ORGANICS, PCBS,  
PAHS, VOCS, BENZENE, TOLUENE, XYLENES

**Abstract:** THE NINTH AVENUE DUMP (NAD) IS A 17-ACRE INACTIVE CHEMICAL AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE DISPOSAL SITE LOCATED IN GARY, INDIANA. NAD IS LOCATED IN A LOW-LYING AREA WITH POOR DRAINAGE. PRIOR TO FILLING, THE SITE CONSISTED OF PARALLEL RIDGES SEPARATED BY WETLANDS AREAS. HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL ACTIVITIES OCCURRED AT THE SITE FROM EARLY TO MID 1970S WITH SOME FILLING CONTINUING UNTIL 1980. THE SITE ACCEPTED DRY INDUSTRIAL, CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE, OIL, SOLVENTS, PAINT SOLVENTS AND SLUDGES, RESINS, ACIDS, AND FLAMMABLE, CAUSTIC AND ARSENIC-CONTAMINATED MATERIALS. A SMALL-SCALE AUTO WRECKING OPERATION HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN OBSERVED AT THE PROPERTY IN 1975 BY THE INDIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH (ISBH) WHICH DOCUMENTED THE PRESENCE OF 10,000 55-GALLON DRUMS AT THE SITE, MANY OF WHICH WERE EMPTY. ADDITIONALLY, THE INSPECTION ESTIMATED APPROXIMATELY 500,000 GALLONS OF LIQUID INDUSTRIAL WASTE AND 1,000 BURIED DRUMS PRESENT AT THE SITE. SUBSEQUENT INSPECTION REVEALED PORTIONS OF DISCARDED AUTO BATTERIES, DRUMMED LIQUID WASTES, AND

ABANDONED TANKER TRUCKS. IN 1975 AND 1980 EPA ORDERED THE SITE OPERATOR TO INITIATE SURFACE CLEANUPS. SUBSEQUENTLY, HE REMOVED SOME BARRELS, JUNK CARS, AND TRUCKS. THIS FIRST OPERABLE UNIT ADDRESSES REMEDIATION OF AN OIL LAYER FLOATING ON THE GROUND WATER SURFACE, THE PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL THREAT AT THE SITE. THE QUANTITY OF OIL UNDER THE SITE IS ESTIMATED AT 250,000 TO 700,000 GALLONS, OF WHICH 100,000 TO 500,000 GALLONS ARE ESTIMATED TO BE RECOVERABLE. SEVERAL ORGANIC AND INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS HAVE BEEN DETECTED IN THE OIL IN HIGHER CONCENTRATIONS THAN IN OTHER MEDIA. OIL SEEPS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED IN ONSITE PONDS LEADING TO CONCERNS THAT THE OIL MAY BE AFFECTING AQUATIC LIFE, AND AN OIL SHEEN HAS BEEN SEEN ON SEVERAL SURFACE WATER BODIES. THE SECOND OPERABLE UNIT WILL ADDRESS BURIED WASTE, CONTAMINATED SOIL, AND CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER. THE PRIMARY CONTAMINANTS IN THE OIL LAYER INCLUDE: VOCs, BENZENE, TOLUENE, XYLENE, PAHS, ORGANICS, PCBS, METALS, AND CYANIDES.

THE SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THIS SITE INCLUDES; CONSTRUCTION OF A SOIL-BENTONITE SLURRY WALL TO COMPLETELY SURROUND THE HYDROCARBON LAYER; SEPARATE EXTRACTION OF OIL AND GROUND WATER THROUGH A SERIES OF CENTRAL EXTRACTION WELLS, FOLLOWED BY STORAGE OF THE RECOVERED OIL IN AN ONSITE STORAGE TANK AND RECHARGE OF THE TREATED GROUND WATER THROUGH RECHARGE WELLS; AND GROUND WATER MONITORING. OIL TREATMENT WILL BE EVALUATED IN THE SECOND OPERABLE UNIT. THE ESTIMATED CAPITAL COST FOR THIS REMEDIAL ACTION IS \$1,960,000 WITH ANNUAL O&M OF \$190,000.

**Remedy:** THIS INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION IS THE FIRST OF TWO OPERABLE UNITS FOR THE SITE. THIS OPERABLE UNIT ADDRESSES THE PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL THREAT AT THE SITE, AN OIL LAYER FLOATING ON THE GROUNDWATER AND SEEPING INTO WETLANDS AREAS. THE FUNCTION OF THIS OPERABLE UNIT IS TO EXTRACT AND STORE FREE-FLOWING OIL AND CONTAIN REMAINING OIL WITH A SLURRY WALL. THE SECOND OPERABLE UNIT WILL ADDRESS TREATMENT OF THE EXTRACTED OIL, AS WELL AS REMEDIATION OF WASTE, SOIL AND GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION.

THE MAJOR COMPONENTS OF THE SELECTED REMEDY INCLUDE:

- \* CONSTRUCTING A SOIL - BENTONITE SLURRY WALL TO COMPLETELY SURROUND THE OIL LAYER;
- \* INSTALLING AN OIL/GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION AND GROUNDWATER RECHARGE SYSTEM;
- \* INSTALLING A SMALL SCALE ON-SITE GROUNDWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM TO ALLOW FOR DEWATERING OF THE SLURRY WALL;
- \* MONITORING GROUNDWATER INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE SLURRY WALL TO ENSURE ITS EFFECTIVENESS; AND
- \* INSTALLING AN ON-SITE OIL STORAGE TANK.

## **2) Record of Decision (ROD):**

**Operable Unit:**

02

**ROD ID:** EPA/ROD/R05-89/095

**ROD Date:**

06/30/1989

**Media:** SOIL SEDIMENT GROUNDWATER FILL MATERIAL

**Contaminant:**  
TOULENE, PAHS, PCBS, LEAD

VOCS, BENZENE, TCE,

**Abstract:** THE NINTH AVENUE DUMP IS A 17-ACRE, INACTIVE CHEMICAL AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE DISPOSAL SITE IN GARY, INDIANA. THERE IS INDUSTRIAL, COMMERICAL, AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 60 INDUSTRIAL AND RESIDENTIAL WATER SUPPLY WELLS WITHIN 1 MILE OF THE SITE. INTERCONNECTING PONDS AND WETLANDS AREAS BORDER THE WASTE DISPOSAL AREAS INTO THE NORTH, WEST, AND SOUTH. THE WETLANDS AREAS TO THE EAST AND TO THE SOUTH OF THE SITE ARE RELATIVELY UNDISTURBED. HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL OCCURRED AT THE SITE FROM THE EARLY TO MID-1970S, WITH SOME FILLING ASSOCIATED WITH CLEANUP ACTIVITIES CONTINUING UNTIL 1980. INDUSTRIAL, CONSTRUCTION, DEMOLITION, AND CHEMICAL WASTES WERE ACCEPTED AT THE SITE. SPECIFIC INDUSTRIAL WASTES WHICH WERE ACCEPTED AT THE SITE INCLUDE OIL, PAINT, SOLVENTS AND SLUDGES, RESINS, AND FLAMMABLE, CAUSTIC, AND ARSENIC-CONTAMINATED MATERIALS. A STATE INSPECTION IN 1975 REVEALED THAT THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 10,000 55-GALLON DRUMS AT THE SITE. ADDITIONALLY, THE STATE ESTIMATED THAT 500,000 GALLONS OF LIQUID INDUSTRIAL WASTE WERE DUMPED, AND 1,000 DRUMS WERE BURIED ONSITE AND IN CONTACT WITH GROUND WATER. AS A RESULT OF 1975 STATE ORDERS AND 1980 EPA ORDERS TO INITIATE SURFACE CLEANUP, THE SITE OPERATOR REMOVED DRUMS, TANK CARS, AND SOME CONTAMINATED SOIL FROM THE SITE'S SURFACE. THE FIRST RECORD OF DECISION (ROD), SIGNED IN SEPTEMBER 1988, ADDRESSED REMEDIATION OF AN OIL LAYER FLOATING ON THE GROUND WATER SURFACE AND WILL INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A SLURRY WALL AROUND THE CONTAMINATED PORTION OF THE SITE AND EXCAVATION AND ONSITE STORAGE OF CONTAMINATED SOIL. THIS SECOND AND FINAL REMEDIAL ACTION ADDRESSES THE REMAINING THREATS TO THE SITE WHICH INCLUDE CONTAMINATED SOIL, SEDIMENT, FILL MATERIAL, GROUND WATER (GENERALLY ONSITE), AND OIL COLLECTED DURING THE FIRST OPERABLE UNIT. THE PRIMARY CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN AFFECTING THE SOIL, SEDIMENT, FILL MATERIAL, AND GROUND WATER ARE VOCS INCLUDING BENZENE, TCE, AND TOLUENE; OTHER ORGANICS INCLUDING PAHS AND PCBS; AND METALS INCLUDING LEAD.

THE SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION FOR THIS SITE INCLUDES EXCAVATING APPROXIMATELY 36,000 YD3 OF THE MOST SEVERELY OIL-CONTAMINATED WASTE AND FILL MATERIALS FROM THE AREA INSIDE THE SLURRY WALL, ONSITE THERMAL TREATMENT OF EXCAVATED WASTE, FILL, AND PREVIOUSLY EXTRACTED OIL, FOLLOWED BY FILLING THE EXCAVATED AREA WITH INCINERATOR AND GROUND WATER TREATMENT PROCESS RESIDUES, DISCARDED DRUMS, CONTAMINATED SEDIMENT REMOVED FROM ON- AND OFFSITE PONDS, AND TRENCH SPOILS; COVERING THE AREA CONTAINED BY THE SLURRY WELL WITH A RCRA CAP; PUMPING AND TREATMENT OF GROUND WATER INSIDE THE SLURRY WALL WITH REINJECTION OF MOST OF THE GROUND WATER WITHIN THE SLURRY WALL TO PROMOTE SOIL FLUSHING; PUMPING AND TREATMENT OF CONTAMINATED GROUND WATER OUTSIDE THE SLURRY WALL WITH REINJECTION OR DISCHARGE TO SURFACE WATER; DISMANTLING, DECONTAMINATING, AND REMOVING THE OIL STORAGE UNIT CONSTRUCTED UNDER THE FIRST OPERABLE UNIT; CONTINUED LONG-TERM GROUND WATER MONITORING; AIR MONITORING DURING REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES; AND IMPLEMENTING INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS TO PROTECT THE SITE AND RESTRICT GROUND WATER USE. THE ESTIMATED PRESENT WORTH COST



FOR THIS REMEDIAL ACTION IS \$22,209,000 WHICH INCLUDES AN ANNUAL O&M COST OF \$489,000.

**Remedy:** THIS REMEDIAL ACTION IS THE SECOND AND FINAL OF TWO OPERABLE UNITS FOR THE SITE. THE FIRST OPERABLE UNIT ADDRESSED AN OIL LAYER FLOATING ON THE GROUNDWATER THROUGH OIL EXTRACTION, STORAGE, AND CONTAINMENT WITH A SOIL/BENTONITE SLURRY WALL. THE FINAL REMEDY ADDRESSES ALL REMAINING THREATS AT THE SITE, INCLUDING CONTAMINATED SOILS, FILL MATERIALS, STORED OIL, GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER AND SEDIMENT.

THE MAJOR COMPONENTS OF THE SELECTED REMEDY INCLUDE;

- \* EXCAVATION OF APPROXIMATELY 36,000 CUBIC YARDS OF OIL CONTAMINATED WASTE AND FILL DOWN TO THE NATIVE SAND,
- \* THERMAL TREATMENT OF EXCAVATED FILL AND EXTRACTED OIL, MOST LIKELY IN A MOBILE ON-SITE INCINERATOR,
- \* REMOVING DEBRIS AND CONTAMINATED SEDIMENTS FROM ON AND OFF-SITE SURFACE WATER BODIES,
- \* FILLING THE EXCAVATED AREA WITH TREATMENT PROCESS RESIDUALS, TRENCH SPOILS AND POND SEDIMENTS AND DEBRIS,
- \* COVERING THE AREA CONTAINED BY THE SLURRY WALL WITH A RCRA SUBTITLE C CAP,
- \* EXTRACTION, TREATMENT AND REINJECTION OF CONTAMINATED GROUNDWATER INSIDE THE SLURRY WALL TO PROMOTE SOIL FLUSHING,
- \* DISCHARGE OF A SMALL QUANTITY OF GROUNDWATER OUTSIDE THE SLURRY WALL TO COMPENSATE FOR INFILTRATION,
- \* DEED AND ACCESS RESTRICTIONS TO PROHIBIT USE OF GROUNDWATER UNDER THE SITE AND PROTECT THE CAP, AND
- \* LONG TERM GROUNDWATER MONITORING.

### **3) Record of Decision (ROD):**

**Operable Unit:**

02

**ROD ID:** EPA/AMD/R05-94/260

**ROD Date:**

09/13/1994

**Media:** groundwater, sediments, soil

**Contaminant:**

Ketones, chlorinated ethanes, BETX, PAHs, phenols, pesticides, PCBs, plasticizers, dioxins, furans, VOCs, pesticides, metals

**Abstract:**

Please note that the text in this document summarizes the Record of Decision for the purposes of facilitating searching and retrieving key text on the ROD. It is not the officially approved abstract drafted by the EPA Regional offices. Once EPA Headquarters receives the official abstract, this text will be replaced.

The purpose of this Record of Decision Amendment is to present a change for the final site remedy for the Ninth Avenue Dump site.

The Ninth Avenue Dump site is an inactive chemical and industrial waste disposal site and is located in Gary, Indiana. It occupies approximately seventeen acres and is situated in an area of mixed industrial, commercial, and residential property use.

The site is located in a low-lying area with poor drainage. Prior to filling, the site consisted of parallel ridges separated by wetland areas. The site is relatively flat with small depressions and mounds remaining from waste disposal or cleanup activities. A slurry wall surrounds the area of the site that contained groundwater contamination which was known or suspected, at the time of the construction of the wall, to exceed acceptable concentrations. The wall is keyed about three feet into a clay formation that is approximately 30 feet below the ground surface. Situated within the slurry wall is a pond and wetland area. A fence had been installed around the site, which now includes portions of adjacent properties.

The site had been used for the disposal of hazardous wastes from the early to mid 1970s. Buried wastes at the site include foundry sand, wood, concrete, bricks, metals, slag, non-containerized liquids and sludges, and drummed liquid and solid materials. Depth of fill ranges from zero to ten feet. The water table is about three feet below the surface. Most of the filling appeared to have been in the central and southern portions of the site, with filling apparently having stopped at the ponded area in the southern portion. During the remedial investigation (RI), it was found that some of the soils were contaminated with a variety of ketones, chlorinated ethanes, BETX (benzene, ethylbenzene, toluene, and xylene), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), phenols, pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), plasticizers, and dioxins and furans. On- and off-site surface water bodies and sediments contained only low levels of volatile organic compounds (VOCs), PAHs, pesticides, and metals at low frequencies of detection. An oil layer was found floating on the groundwater in the central and south central portions of the site. The groundwater under the site was found to be contaminated with approximately 100 organic and inorganic substances, including many of the compounds found in the oil layer. However, groundwater contamination was found, for the most part, to have not migrated beyond the site boundaries, except on the eastern and northern sides of the site. The groundwater on the site is also contaminated by high concentrations of dissolved solids, including chlorides, that have migrated from an off-site source south of the site.

**Remedy:** The remedial action for the site consists of two operable units. The first operable unit addressed an oil layer floating on the groundwater by means of oil and groundwater extraction, oil storage, reintroduction of the groundwater, containment with a slurry wall, and management of excess surface water. The extracted groundwater was treated prior to reintroduction. The second operable unit, which is being amended by this decision document, addresses the remaining threats at the site.

The major components of the selected remedy for the second operable unit include: installation of an intermediate slurry wall that will separate the surface water area from the contaminated area (primary containment area); removal of debris and contaminated sediments from surface water bodies on the site that are to remain, and placement of this material under the cap; installation of a soil vapor extraction system covering the portions of the primary containment area known to be contaminated (after necessary dewatering) and subsequent operation of the system to provide a performance that is appropriate and acceptable while maintaining the water level about 10 feet below the present surface; disposal of the oil extracted

during implementation of the first operable unit in a manner which is appropriate and acceptable, most likely in an off-site incinerator; installation of a cap over the primary containment area, landscaping of the site, and establishment of a storm water management system which includes discharge of excess water; containment or extraction and disposal of contaminated groundwater or sources of groundwater contamination found outside the primary containment area; removing or securing any equipment which was used during implementation of the first operable unit that will not be used as part of this remedy; maintenance of an acceptable water level within the primary containment area and disposal of the excess water; deed and access restrictions that prohibit use of groundwater at the site and protect the remedy; and operation and maintenance of the remedy, including the fence and slurry wall installed in the first operable unit, and monitoring of the site to ensure protectiveness.

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## **WASTE, INC., LANDFILL**

### **Site Information:**

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**Latitude:** +41.721669  
**Longitude:** -086.880000

**NPL Status:** Currently on the Final NPL

**Non-NPL Status:**

**Federal Facility Flag:**

Not a Federal Facility

**Incident Category:**

Landfill

### **Record of Decision (ROD) List:**

	ROD ID	ROD Date	OU
1	<a href="#">EPA/ROD/R05-94/249</a>	08/18/1994	

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### **1) Record of Decision (ROD):**

**Operable Unit:** 01

**ROD ID:** EPA/ROD/R05-94/249

**ROD Date:** 08/18/1994

**Media:** groundwater

**Contaminant:** Semi-volatile organics,  
polychlorinated biphenols (PCBs)

**Abstract:** Please note that the text in this document summarizes the Record of Decision for the purposes of facilitating searching and retrieving key text on the ROD. It is not the officially approved abstract drafted by the EPA Regional offices. Once EPA Headquarters receives the official abstract, this text will be replaced.

The site currently known as the Waste, Inc. Landfill site is located in LaPorte County, Indiana. The site is bound by U.S. Highway 12 to the northwest, Michiana Auto Builders to the north and Sullair Corporation to the east.

Prior to its development as a landfill, the property was used as farmland. Landfilling activities began as early as 1954, when several small disposal mounds were constructed in the northern portion of the site. The mounds consisted of a variety of different wastes including: debris, fill, and scrap metal. As time passed, these mounds greatly expanded. By 1965, the site had developed into a large unpermitted landfill and was operated by an unlicensed company called Dis-Pos-All Services.

In 1970, Dis-Pos-All Services submitted a proposal to the Indiana Stream Pollution Control Board for an operation permit. Under this

proposal, the landfill would only accept wood, paper, and cardboard wastes and would also begin the acceptance of foundry sand to be used as cover material. The Board issued a non-objection letter to this proposal in July, 1971. However, several subsequent inspections by the Indiana State Board of Health (ISBH) determined that in addition to accepting the permitted wastes, the site was also accepting unapproved materials.

In 1972, Dis-Pos-all sold its operation to Waste Inc. In 1975, Waste Inc. submitted an application to the ISBH for a construction and operation permit for the existing landfill. This application was denied. However, Waste Inc appealed the ISBH's refusal and because a hearing was never scheduled, the site continued to operate. In 1981, an Agreed Order was executed between Waste Inc. and the ISBH, which set conditions for the continued operation of the landfill. In August 1982, a Consent Order was signed and the site was closed with the exception of the continued acceptance of foundry sand for use as a landfill cover. In 1983, in response to the State of Indiana enforcement actions, a Court Order demanded proper closure of the site.

**Remedy:** The selected remedial action for this site is made up of several components. The first component is to install a Subtitle D cap. The second component is to collect contaminated leachate in a trench along the southern site boundary. The third component is to install and operate groundwater extraction wells on-site Sanitary District of Michigan City via direct discharge. The fifth component is to rerout or abandon the existing sewer line. The sixth component is to remove the on-site underground fuel storage tank. The seventh component is to post fish advisory signs along Trail Creek. The eighth and final component is to abandon the existing on-site groundwater well.

URL: <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/rodsites/0501655.htm>

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## APPENDIX F

### STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS

The following comments were received within the 60-day public comment period after the initial public meeting introducing the draft version of the Little Calumet-Galien WRAS. This meeting was held on April 4, 2002, in Portage, Indiana.

The Little Calumet-Galien WRAS has been revised to incorporate stakeholder comments, where appropriate. The following is a reproduction of the stakeholder comments:

### General Comments

None

### Specific Comments

#### *Part I:*

- Executive Summary, Overview of Little Calumet-Galien Watershed: The Calumet watershed hydrography is inaccurate. The western section of the Little Calumet should flow out the Cal-Sag Channel in Illinois into the Mississippi drainage basin. The same is normally true of the west branch of the Grand Calumet River, although sometimes these waters may flow into Lake Michigan through the O'Brien Lock and Dam on the Calumet River. The east branch of the Grand Calumet River usually flows into Lake Michigan through the Indiana Harbor and Ship Canal.
- Executive Summary, Water Quality Goal: The description is mealy-mouthed. These waters are designated for aquatic habitat and full-body contact recreational uses.
- Ch. 1, Introduction: Needs an explanation of what the "Clean Water Action Plan" is.
- 2.1 Watershed Overview: See comment about watershed above.
- 2.5 Surface Water Use Designations: These watersheds are in the Lake Michigan basin. Therefore, the applicable water use designation rule is 327 IAC 2-1.5-5.
- 2.5.1 Surface Water Classifications: While there are no exceptional use waters, the waters of the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, which includes part of the Little Calumet, are designated as Outstanding State Resource Waters. Designated salmonid waters should also be mentioned. The applicable rule sections are 2-1.5-5 and 2-1.5-19.
- 2.7 Superfund Sites: There are several more Superfund sites in the watershed: American Chemical Services, Griffith; Midco I and II, Gary; H&H Recycling, Gary; Ninth Avenue Dump, Gary; U.S.S. Lead, East Chicago (this was a RCRA closure, but is essentially the same as a Superfund cleanup and may have lately been added to the NPL). It is not clear what the relevance of this section is to a watershed restoration strategy. All of these sites, I believe, have been remediated to a greater or lesser degree. I believe all of them except H&H involve groundwater or surface water contamination. I think you either need to add more information to this section, explaining its significance to the WRAS, or delete it.
- 3.1.1 E. coli bacteria: The applicable rule subsection is 2-1.5-8(e)(2). Many IAC references in this chapter need to be changed to the corresponding subsections of 2-1.5-8.
- 3.1.3 Oxygen-Consuming Wastes: It would be helpful for non-experts like myself to explain the meaning and significance of BOD and CBOD, which are terms I frequently run across in technical writing on dissolved oxygen. There is a higher dissolved oxygen requirement for salmonid streams (cf. 2-1.5-8(d)(1)).
- 4.1.1 Office of Water Quality Programs: second paragraph - "...the Section began a five-year synoptic study..." I suspect that few readers are going to know what "synoptic" means. Perhaps "comprehensive" would be better.
- 4.1.2 Local Volunteer Monitoring Programs: Save the Dunes Conservation Fund should be included. Contact Sandy Wilmore, 219/879-3564.
- 4.2 Summary of Ambient Monitoring Data: Results of the benchmark characteristic analysis are Appendix A in my copy, not B as stated in this paragraph. The data seems pretty worthless for the non-expert.
- 5.1.1 State Authority for Indiana's Water Quality Program: I would suggest adding a paragraph stating that the state rulemaking authority for water is the Water Pollution Control Board, which normally meets on the second Wednesday of the month in the Government Center South. Stress that these meetings are open to the public. Names and contact information of board members should be listed along with an IDEM contact for

obtaining agendas, draft rules and rulemaking calendar, meeting notices, changes in board membership and other information. A brief explanation of the difference between rules and laws might also be helpful.

- 5.1.4 Total Maximum Daily Loads: It would be appropriate to indicate here the increase in impaired waterways between the 1998 303(d) list and the draft for 2002, to state how many individual TMDLs are envisioned by the 2002 list (assuming each impairment requires a separate TMDL), and the number of TMDLs completed and in development.

***Part I, Tables:***

- 303(d): The WRAS will be immediately out-of-date if they do not include the 2002 303(d) list.
- Population: Data seems unnecessarily old. Are the 2000 census numbers not available at this level of detail?
- Outstanding rivers: Information on Outstanding State Resource Waters and WPCB-designated salmonid streams should be included. In Table 2.5, the meaning of the numbers in the line below the river names is unclear.
- Water use: Table 2-7 is very useful. Is there no more recent data? A footnote should be added saying that most of the people in the watershed and many companies get their water from Lake Michigan. In fact, the Lake Michigan totals should be added if they are available. Otherwise the information here is potentially misleading.
- Table 3-2: The waterbodies to which the CSOs discharge should be noted. Gary and Hammond have CSO outfalls on both the Grand Calumet and Little Calumet rivers, and the number of each should be listed. East Chicago may have outfalls on both the Grand Cal and the Indiana Harbor Ship Canal. Gary has 13 CSO outfalls.
- 3-3, NPDES Permitted Facilities: Table should be dated, sourced and an explanation of active/inactive status given. The information appears fairly recent, since the Whiting refinery is listed as BP rather than Amoco. Still, there are some out-of-date entries: Nipsco has shut down its Dean Mitchell station and LTV Steel Co. was shut down and has been sold to International Steel Group, which plans to start some of it back up. Still, this could be a very useful list, especially if there is a reference somewhere about how people could use the NPDES permit numbers to obtain updated information on the web.

***Part II:***

- Chapter 1, Stakeholder Groups: Contact information for groups should be provided. This should probably be done in Part I. It is not clear why that information is repeated here. Are you planning at some point to add the groups' concerns and priority issues to this section? Save the Dunes Conservation Fund should be included.
- Ch. 2, WQ Concerns Identified by State and Federal Agencies: This is very interesting information, which I was unaware of, but it is very poorly presented. The text, table and figure should be placed together. The numeric references from the figure to the table are unclear. The numeric range on the table (1=good, 5=poor) should be repeated below the table, and the meaning of nd (no data, I assume) should be included.
- Ch. 3, Impaired Waters: Should be updated to 2002 list. Locations of different segments of same body of water need to be identified. Mention should be made of limited number of TMDLs completed to date.
- Ch. 4, Recommended Management Strategies: Nowhere is the generic nature of the WRAS more evident than in this chapter. There is no mention of the biggest problem for the Grand Calumet and the western half of the Little Calumet, which is contaminated sediments. Streambank erosion and stabilization, on the other hand, is a relatively minor problem. CSOs are a much more acute problem than failing septic systems; they should be dealt with separately rather than lumped in with other point sources. As the culmination of the WRAS, this is a disappointment.

Ch. 5, Future Expectations and Actions: This section is also a disappointment. Nothing indicates that anyone is taking ownership of the WRAS. In the executive summary, you state that the goal of the WRAS is to assist local citizens with improving water quality. The introduction to Part I, Chapter 1 also envisions a partnership in which states work with public agencies, private organizations and citizens. Yet this section does not indicate who has responsibility for the WRAS or gives any reliable indication that it won't become just another study collecting dust on a shelf: "The Watershed Restoration Action Strategy may be revised or amended when sufficient information becomes available (emphasis added)." This summary makes it appear that the WRAS is directed more toward the Office of Water Quality than to people living in the watershed. There is no suggestion here as to how citizens can get involved, let alone how they can make improvements to their watershed without having to rely on the state, a course of action that requires the patience of Job. You risk allowing all the useful information contained in previous chapters to go to waste if you don't provide a clear concluding message encouraging stakeholders to come together and reach consensus on how to improve their watersheds, and suggest a useful framework for doing so.